

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 100

By Roberts

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Jesse D. James upon becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout, and Jesse D. James, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Cross Plains, Jesse D. James is the son of Jesse and Sandra James, and he has one sister; and

WHEREAS, a senior at East Robertson High School, Jesse James has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers as a member of Future Business Leaders of America and Family, Career and Community Leaders of America; he is also an active member of the book club, the yearbook staff, and the school concert band. Jesse plans to study nursing and business management at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James was elected by his high school peers to attend National Youth Leadership Training, a 10-day seminar on national security held in Washington, D.C., and sponsored by George Mason University; the university also extended an invitation to Jesse to attend the presidential inauguration and the Black Tie Presidential Ball; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Boy Scouts since 2010, Jesse D. James's notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 459 includes more than twenty-one merit badges and distinguished service as senior patrol leader and member of the Order of the Arrow.

He attended the high-adventure trip to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in Ely, Minnesota, and completed National Youth Leadership Training with the Middle Tennessee Council; in addition, he will volunteer at the Scouting National Jamboree at The Summit Bechtel Reserve near Glen Jean, West Virginia, later this year; and

WHEREAS, Jesse D. James's Eagle project contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of volunteerism. For his project, Mr. James oversaw the construction of two picnic tables at an outdoor common area at East Robertson High School; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should recognize Jesse D. James as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jesse D. James upon becoming an Eagle Scout and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.